

2004 ELECTION

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 15



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Representative KanoHo has served in the Hawaii State Legislature for nine two-year terms, since he was first appointed in December 1986.

Representative KanoHo currently chairs the House Committee on Water, Land Use & Hawaiian Affairs which also encompasses Ocean Marine Resources. He previously served on the House Finance Committee for 14 years.

Quality education for Hawaii's youth has and will continue to be his foremost priority. Fulfilling the state's obligation to the Hawaiian people as mandated by the Admission's Act, Hawaii State Constitution and Statutes will also be among his primary goals as will be the following issues: water and land-use planning, particularly the effective utilization of state "ceded" lands; affordable housing; and conservation of the state's depleting marine resources through appropriate community based management.

He was born and raised on Kauai; attended Hanalei School and graduated from the Kamehameha Schools.

He worked for Hawaiian Telephone Co for more than 39 years, 34 in various managerial positions the last ten as Kauai Island Manager, before his retirement in June 1987.

He served as president of the Rotary Club of Kauai, President of the Kauai Chamber of Commerce and as an officer or on the Board of Directors of many community and professional/business organizations. He is a recipient of the Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce's distinguished 2004 O'O Award.

He and his wife, Pauline, have been blessed with 53 years of marriage and four sons; two police officers and two fire-fighters. They have eight grandchildren.

